

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of : Katsushige MARUI, *et al.*
Application No. : 10/567,162
Filed : March 14, 2006
For: : HOLLOW FIBER MEMBRANE SUBMODULE
AND MODULE INCLUDING THE SAME
Confirmation No. : 4240
Group Art Unit : 1797
Examiner : Krishnan S. MENON
Docket No. : 10089/29
Customer No. : 23838

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the non-final Office Action dated October 17, 2008, the due date for which is extended one month with the attached petition, applicants request that the Office Action be reconsidered in view of the amendments and remarks as shown below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.